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C O N F I D E N T I A L TEHRAN 7646

E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: MASS, IR  
SUBJECT: F-16 AIRCRAFT FOR IRAN

REF: TEHRAN 6825 (DTG 061140Z JUL 76) AND PREVIOUS

UNDERSTAND THAT LETTER OF OFFER FOR F-16 AIRCRAFT FOR IRAN IS IN ADVANCED STAGEOF PREPARATION AND CLEARANCE. IRANIAN INTEREST IN THIS AIRCRAFT HAS BEEN KNOWN FOR MANY MONTHS. OUR SUGGESTION THAT IRAN BE FULLY BRIEFED ON ALL IMPLICATIONS (FINANCIAL, MANPOWER AND FACILITIES) OF ACQUISITION OF AIRCRAFT HAS BEEN MATTER OF RECORD FOR SOME TIME. DEF-REP HAS ADVISED AMBASSADOR THAT LTG FISH SHOULD BE IN POSITION TO LEAD BRIEFING TEAM TO IRAN IN LATE AUGUST. COMPREHENSIVE, DETAILED BRIEFING CAN MATERIALLY ASSIST GOI TO MAKE INTELLIGENT, BALANCED DECISION ON AIRCRAFT PURCHASES.

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